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Welcome address, Professor Zayn Kassam, Director, Institute of Ismaili Stuides

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Qur'anic Studies at the Institute of Ismaili Studies, Dr. Omar Ali de Unzaga, Head of Qur'anic Studies, IIS

## Monday, 15 July 2024

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1a Muhammad, Prophethood and the Early Community	1b The Qur'an and the Study of Variant Readings
Salat, Sanctuary, and Sacrifice in the Prophetic Era  Mohsen Goudarzi	Idealising the rasm: A Phenomenological Account of Early Qur'anic Canonisation  Ramon Harvey
Muhammad Alike Moses: The Lexical-Rhetorical Composition of Surat Taha (Q 20) <b>Heydar Davoudi</b>	Variant Readings in the Iberian Qur'an  Daniela Chiru
Prophetic Messengers and Messageless Prophets: Another look at the rasul vs nabiyy Debate  Andrew O'Connor	The Alif Lam Mim: History, Ambiguity, and a Trajectory of Meanings  Nevinnevin.el.tahry@utoronto.ca Reda
What Was In the Heart of the Prophet?: The Origins of a Motif in the Opening of the Heart Episode  Adi Shiran	

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The Quiddity Difference between Qur'an and Qira'at: Mitigating the Tawatur Dilemma in Islamic Legal Theory  Yousef Aly Wahb	Doublets in Surah 2 Nicolai Sinai
Sloppy scribe or satanic cult? Qur'anic textual criticism and the principle of parsimony  Hythem Sidky	'Dovetailing' as a Feature of the Qur'an's structure.  Francis Lankester
In search of the 'usul of the ur-qira'ah  Hamza Khwaja	The Surahs' Correlations in Al-Tahrir w al-Tanwir and Ring-Theory: A Study of Q 30  Nadeen Alsulaimi
Scribal changes in King Fahd National Library Codex No. 2500  Basheer Al-Hemyari	From Rabb to Allah: The Framework for a Qur'anic Documentary Hypothesis Suleyman Dost
Does the "oral" Qur'an differ from the "written" Qur'an, and, if so, how?  Yasin Dutton	

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3a The Intersection of the Oral and the Written Qur'an (Panel II)	3b Approaching aspects of Style in the Qur'an
Inks and Parchments in Hijazi manuscripts: Material analyses of the volume Paris, BNF Arabe 328 Eleonore Cellard	Strange Messengers: Three Instances of Surprising Divine Speech in Surat Maryam  David Penchansky
The Divergence of the Ancestral and Canonical Qur'anic Reading Traditions: Evidence from the Qira'at al-Nabi of Abu Umar al-Duri (d. 246/860) Jeremy Farrell	The Grammar of Emotion Verbs in the Qur'an: A Case Study of the verb khafa  Yehudit Dror
Communal transmission of the Qur'an through the People of Iraq  Marijn van Putten	Q al-Baqara 2:26 "God is not ashamed to strike a mathal," (inna allaha la yastahyi an yadriba mathalan): amthal as an Educational Norm in the Qur'an?  Rachel Dryden
Early Hijazi Qur'an Fragment at Dar al-Kutub (Ms. 247 masahif) and its Berlin Counterpart (Ms. or. fol. 4313): A Comprehensive Study  Abdallah El Khatib	"Are there any that are reminded?" (Q al-Qamar 54:15, 17, 22, 32, 40, 51): Activating Human Memory in the Qur'an  Johanne Louise Christiansen
Archaeological Approach and Stratigraphic Sequence in Manuscript Studies: The Materiality of an Umayyad Qur'an and its Use Alba Fedeli	
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**Keynote: Professor Ahmad al-Jallad** 

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**General reception** 

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Q 5:116 in Context: Mary, the Collyridian Controversy, and Intertextual Exegesis  Tugrul Kurt	The Five-Line Gold Qur'an in Kufic Script: Unusual Features of a Luxury Manuscript  Marcus Fraser
Contextualizing Marian Prophethood in the Tafsir Tradition  Conor Dube	Carbon dating of Qur'anic manuscripts and the question of the stemma codicum of Qur'anic manuscripts revisited  Michael Marx
The Woman in the Desert: Biblical Hagar and Qur'anic Mary Nimet Seker	Proposal of a Transcription System of Ibn al-Jazari's Ten Canonical Readings  Mohammad Ali Khavanin Zadeh
Methodological Considerations: Reading the Qur'an's Annunciation Type-Scenes Halla Attallah	Qur'anic manuscripts in Egypt - in search of a Fatimid Qur'anic tradition  Edward Shawe-Taylor
	Text segmentation and its function as mirrored in Qur'anic manuscripts of the 7th century  Dirk Hartwig
	Ghazal or sheep? Results from specimen analysis of some Qur'ānic MSS  Tobias J. Jocham

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Atrium Conference Room  6a. Rhetoric, variant readings, and the Study of the	Room 215  6b. Material evidence about the history of the Qur'an
Qur'an	and its digital representation (Panel 2)
From Esoteric Communication to Verbatim Revelation: the conspicuous absence of the root w-h-y in the schematics of revelation in medieval tafsir	Palaoegraphy and radiocarbon dating results of a kufi D manuscript of the Qur'an preserved at the National Museum of Georgia, Doha, Washington and Switzerland
Simon P. Loynes	Salome Beridze
Reading Variations in the Jurisprudents' Political Struggle: A Case Study of Andalusia	Exploring the Qur'anic Context through Ugaritic Texts - Decoding Ba'l in Q 37:125
Ala Vahidnia	Enes Furkan Onur
Tafsir in the Qur'an: Al-Zamakhshari on a Rhetorical Device	Digital Edition of Early Qur'anic Manuscripts: Methodological Considerations from the Irankoran Project
Stephen Burge	Ali Aghaei
Irony in Early Islamic Exegesis: A David Narrative in the Musannaf of Ibn Abi Shaybah (d. 235/849)	Qur'an Manuscripts from Topkapi Sarayi and Istanbul University (Türkiye) in Fehmi E. Karatay's Catalogue (and its preliminary
Madelinemadeline.wyse@berkeley.edu Wyse	digital publication)
	Esra Gözeler
	Modelling the Corpus Coranicum, mapping the data to TEI/XML.
	Yasmin Faghihi
	Relics and Science: Carbon Dating Manuscripts of the Qur'an
	Attributed to Religious Authorities, results and further analysis  Seyed Mohammad Naghavi
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## Tuesday, 16 July 2024

2:45 PM - 4:45 PM Atrium Conference Room 11a. Pre-Islamic Arab Ethos, the Qur'an and Going Beyond Tafsir	2:45 PM - 4:45 PM Room 215 <b>7b. Faith, Law and Piety</b>
An Investigation of Ashab al-Rass in the Qur'an and Tafsir  Devin J. Stewart	Piety and Faith: Qur'anic Analysis, Theoretical Implication  Mohammad Rasekh
Worthless Girl or Prized Virgin? The Context of Female Infanticide in the Qur'an  Emran El-Badawi	The Origins of Waqf and Ibtida'  Oliver Salem
Sulayman and Model Rulership in pre-Islamic Poetry and the Qur'an  Suzanne Pinckney Stetkevych	The Ahkam al-Qur'an Literature as A Resource for Islamic Legal History: Qur'anic Hermeneutics in Islamic Jurisprudence Serdar Kurnaz
The Ultimate Sacrifice: Contextualizing Lot's Offer of his Daughters to the Mob  Sara Omar	Qur'anic Abrogation and Usul al-fiqh : Unraveling Abu Bakr ibn al-'Arabi's Legacy  Ilyass Amharar

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12. New Books in Qur'anic Studies: Authors Present their Works

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Atrium Conference Room  9a. Reading the Qur'an through the Bible and Biblical Studies	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Room 215 9b. Theology and the Qur'an
The Jewish Motifs in the Qur'anic Light Verse  Abdulla Galadari	Dirar's Doctrine: The Createdness of the Qur'an  Azad Raouf
The Syriac Season of Annunciation (subara) as the Liturgical Subtext of Al 'Imran (3) and Maryam (19)  Daniel Watling	The Tripartite Basmala: The Multifunctional Formula and the Signified of al-Rahman and al-Rahim  Abdullah Ansar
How We Found Our Fathers Acting Thusly: Parental Sin and Personal Freedom in the Qur'an  Aquinas Beale	On Q al-Baqarah 2:256 in non-Confessional Perspective  Ivan Dyulgerov
Concerning the Redaction of Variant Traditions: an Exploration of the Fall of Iblis Narratives in the Qur'an  Daniel Bannoura	"Cosmos as Revelation": Reason, Imagination, and the Foundations of Ibn al-'Arabi's Scriptural Hermeneutics  Farah Akhtar

## Wednesday, 17 July 2024

11:15 AM - 1:15 PM Atrium Conference Room 10a. The Qur'an and the Creation of Communities	11:15 AM - 1:15 PM Room 215 10b. Lexicology and the Qur'an
Constituting a Community of Believers in Paul and the Qur'an  Carol Bakhos	Fa-ayna l-thālithah? A Taxonomy of Qur'anic Terms for Divorce  Marianna Klar
The Roles of Non-Muslims in the Qur'an  Jáchym Šenkyřík	Quantitative analysis of the distribution of "violence" and "mercy" in the Quran  Heydar Davoudi
Early Islam as a non-Supersessionist Movement: A Preliminary Conspectus  Mehdy Shaddel	Reinterpretation of the word "Mustaqim" in the Qur'an as a Theological Reinforcement of Moderation  Ihsan Sadudin
	The Semantic and Pragmatic Value of the Formula la-hu mulk alsamāwāt wa-'l-arḍ in the Qur'an  Aljaž Krajnc
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2:30 PM - 4:30 PM Atrium Conference Room 11a. Methodologies of Studying Qur'anic Ethics	2:30 PM - 4:30 PM  Room 215  11b. Interpretation of the Qur'an
Punishment and Impurity: R-j-s and R-j-z within the Framework of Qur'anic Ethics  Irem Kurt	'Today I have perfected for you your worship': Q 5:3 and the Formation of Qur'anic Exegesis  Joshua Little
A Path Towards Building a Qur'anic Ethical Paradigm  Amira Abou-Taleb	Parallel exegesis of Islamic, Jewish, and Christian scriptures in the Javidan-nama of Fadl Allah Astarabadi (d. 796/1394): A Development of the Shi'i Idea of Universal Hermeneutics?  Orkhan Mir-Kasimov
Al-insan al-kamil perfect or complete? An ethical reading of some of the Qur'anic stories  Yasmin Amin	Qur'anic Inscriptions on Khamsa Finials: Evolution and Significance in Shi'i Societies  Zeinab Vessal
The Formation of Ethics in Commentarial Traditions: Methods, Aims, and Scope  Nuha Alshaar	Contemporary Female Exegesis In Turkey  Hüda Nur Ates

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**Business Meeting** 

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Roundtable: Qur'anic Ethics: Definition of a Field and Future Directions

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As it Was in the Beginning: The Late Antique Precedent for 'Divine Writing' Motifs in al-Sijistani  Stephen Cúrto	Postcolonial Ambiguities: Oumar Bâ's 'French-Peul' Qur'an Translation and the Legacy of French West Africa  Johanna Pink
The Millat Ibrahim as the Logos of Abraham: A Neoplatonic Reading of Quranic Inclusivism  Juan Cole	Literary Approaches in the Dutch Qur'an Translation by Kader Abdolah (2008) Yulianingsih Riswan
The Qur'anic Foundations of Ismaili Neoplatonic Exegesis  Khalil Andani	From Humanist to Academic: Qur'an Translation in the Soviet World Literature Project Elvira Kulieva
The Brethren of Purity's Use of the Qur'an in their Philosophical Thought  Syed Zaidi	Al-Qur'an, Le Coran, Il Corano: the Anonymous Translation of the Qur'an (1882) after the Unification of Italy  Francesca Badini

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Arguing through Emotions: An Examination of the Qur'anic Speeches Attributed to the Damned  Mehdi Azaiez	Qaddafi's hermeneutics? The Libyan World Islamic Call Society (b. 1972) as a Publisher and Translator of the Qur'an  Mykhaylo Yakubovych
A heavenly or earthly Jannah: The meticulousness and implications of the Qur'anic switch in naming the Devil from Iblis to Shaytan.  Abla Hasan	Sayyid Ahmad Khan's Urdu Tafsir and Its Influence on Early English Qur'an Translations Kamran Ahmad Khan
"How Will Allah Bring This to Life After Its Death?" (Q, 2/259): A Debate Among the Sharhs-Hashiyas of al-Kashshaf Regarding the Questioner  Mustafa Aydin	Competing Approaches to Using Tafsir in Translation  Sohaib Saeed
A New Creation? The Form of the Resurrected Body in the Qur'an and Its Late Antique Context  Eric DeVilliers	'Concealer of Secrets': The Concordance Based Translation Methodology that led to Laleh Bakhtiar's Crucifixion of John the Baptist Sheam Khan
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2:45 PM - 4:45 PM Atrium Conference Room 15a. Exploring the Prophets: Moses, Jonah and Jesus	2:45 PM - 4:45 PM  Room 215  15b. The Translation of the Qur'an in Africa, India, and Indonesia
Between Images and Words: The Prophet Jonah and Elite Culture at Qusayr Amra  Hannelies Koloska	Qur'an in the Sudanic African Translational Tradition: Trends and Particularities from Borno to Yorubaland (Nigeria) 17th-21st Centuries  Amidu Sanni
The Qur'an and Toldot Yeshu  Holger Zellentin	One-for-all Qur'an Translation: Towards the Literary Appropriation of 'Al-Qur'an and Terjemahnya' in Translating Indo-Malay Qur'anic Manuscripts  Egi Tanadi Taufik
The muhkam and mutashabih in the Qur'an: Some Neglected Intra-Qur'anic Parallels  Saqib Hussain	
The ipsissima verba of Jesus in the Qur'an  Zishan Ghaffar	
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16. Readings from The Devotional Qur'an